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TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 3242 in Burg

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REMARKS

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about 900 enlisted police and 500 officers. The Kommandos and Sonderabteilungen of the VPD had cover designations which consisted of the POB number and a suffix letter or number. For example, the 1st Kommando had cover designation 23 A; the 2d Kommando, 23 B; the 3d Kommando, 23 C; the 4th Kommando, 23 D; the 1st Sonderabteilung, 23/12; the 2d Sonderabteilung, 23/19; the 3d Sonderabteilung, 23/18, the 4th Sonderabteilung, 23/13; the 5th Sonderabteilung, 23/17; the 6th Sonderabteilung, 23/20; the 7th Sonderabteilung, 23/14. The cover designations were to be used in personal correspondence.

2. The artillery components of the VPD were organized as follows:

Artillery Kommando. Three Abteilungen, each with the authorized four 122-mm or 76.2-mm guns.

AAA Sonderabteilung. One headquarters Zug and 3 gun Zuege, each with 3 or 4 x 37-mm AA guns. In October, the unit still practiced with wooden dummy guns.

AT (4th) Sonderabteilung. One headquarters Zug and two gun Zuege, each equipped with two 75-mm AT guns.

Mortar Sonderabteilung. Two Zuege, each with two 122-mm mortars. *

3. Principal weapons and vehicles observed with the VPD by 26 October included: 50X1-HUM
 3 T-34 tanks in poor mechanical condition; 3 Soviet model 43 x 76-mm guns;
 1 Soviet 122-mm howitzer; 2 x 75-mm AT guns; 3 Soviet heavy mortars; 3
 ammunition carriers in good mechanical condition; 7 trucks including 2 ZIS,
 1 Horch, 2 Steyr and 2 Phaemomen; 8 sedans including 3 BMW-Super, 1 Opel and
 3 DKW-IFA; 5 track trailers; 12 to 15 motorcycles; and 76 bicycles.

4. ammunition for Volkspolizei and Soviet units was being manu- 50X1-HUM
 factured at Zinna and Doberschuetz. Both towns are near Torgau. **

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* Comment.

the AAA Sonderabteilung consists of three gun Zuege, each _____ 50X1-HUM
 is authorized to have two 37-mm AA guns; and the mortar Sonderabteilung
 of three Zuege, each is authorized to have two 120-mm mortars. It is
 believed that the AT Sonderabteilung is scheduled to have 57-mm AT guns,
 but is still using German 75-mm AT guns for training purposes.

** Comment. The ammunition depots of Zinna and Doberschuetz are known 50X1-HUM
 as depots at Torgau-Sueptitz and Mockrehna respectively. The two depots
 contain stocks of former German ammunition and supply Volkspolizei units.
 The depots are under Soviet administration and directly subordinate to the
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